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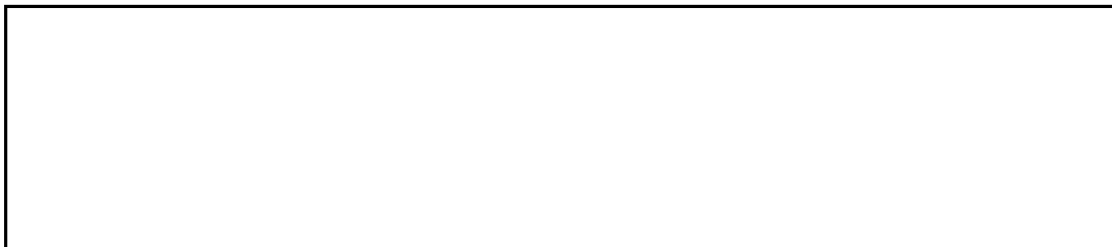
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3. [] was down to brief me on a few points he noted during his recent trip.

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a. He apparently had a chance to take a very careful look at the [] and felt that it would be a great mistake to bring this unit back to Headquarters as the NE Division has proposed. I asked Frank and Tom Karamessines to discuss this since it has a very direct bearing on the Office of Finance memorandum which I have been trying to persuade Tom to sign.

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b. Frank was depressed with the facilities [] and felt that, if we are going to stay there for a very long pull, we should improve the creature comforts considerably.

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c. Frank thought that we are getting the short end of the stick at [] for space and proposed to discuss this matter further with Mr. Kirkpatrick to see what we might do to improve the situation.

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4. Larry Houston buzzed to obtain my concurrence to brief Congressman Wilbur Mills, Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, on our relations with the Internal Revenue Service. I was reluctant to agree

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since I saw no necessity for this briefing. However, Larry felt that it would be very much in our interest since Congressman Mills received a great deal of misinformation as a result of the Patman hearings. Under these conditions I concurred.

5. [] was in for a brief visit. This is a one-man station. However, he said that he has a very competent secretary who takes care of all the financial details and that, while it is somewhat of a burden, there are no problems since she seems to handle the job very well without his assistance. He had no support problems. He did appeal to me for some relief for the \$2,000-\$3,000 which he is out of pocket since he had to live in a hotel for several months because there was no house for him. I told him that I would be very glad to consider a request for some relief if I receive an appropriate request with adequate justification from the AF Division.

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6. I spent some time with Dr. Tietjen, Howard Osborn, [] and a representative from the Central Cover Staff to discuss the handling of our evacuees from Saigon. I think the situation is fairly well in hand. It was agreed that Dr. Tietjen would be the quarterback until hospitalization is arranged and that in due time he would turn over the cases to [] will be my personal representative in these matters at all times.

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7. I discussed the following items with Emmett Echols:

a. Emmett briefed me on an Employee Activity Association scheme to sell fire extinguishers for cars and homes. I cautioned him not to buy more than they thought they could sell. In this connection, I asked Emmett to give some thought to the EAA membership drive. This seems to be off to a very slow start, with DD/P dragging its feet very slowly indeed.

b. In the light of the bombing of the embassy in Saigon and the injuries to a number of our people, Emmett raised a very good question; i.e., should we provide some special training to personnel going to disturbed areas regarding how they should behave?

8. Paul Borel called me about a space argument which he is having with [] I told him that I would ask [] to get in touch with him, ascertain the facts, and present them to me for a decision or recommendation. (This I have done.)

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9. I talked with Alan Warfield about his daughter's interest in employment with the Agency. He advised me that she accepted a job with the telephone company and will withdraw her Agency application.

10. Emmett Echols told me that, at the Overseas Candidate Review Panel meeting yesterday, both the Office of Personnel and felt that the position of the Office of Medical Services was not in the best interests of the Agency. Emmett asked me not to take this up with John Tietjen since he, Gerry, and John Tietjen are going to have further discussions about it from which he hoped something constructive would develop. (I want to follow up on this with Emmett.)

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